*Tuesday, April 1, 2014*

**Good and Evil**

Genesis 2:15-17 And the LORD God took the man, and put him into the garden of Eden to dress it and to keep it. 16 And the LORD God commanded the man, saying, of every tree of the garden thou may freely eat: 17 But of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, thou shall not eat of it: for in the day that thou eat thereof thou shall surely die. (KJV)

The first man Adam was a living soul without knowledge of evil and was able to avoid anything that would be considered sin. Once mankind fell into the realm of sin and were now being bombarded by it, they had no defense. In fact, not only were they kicked out of the garden, but they would no longer have access to the tree of life so that they could overcome the wiles of the enemy.

1 Corinthians 15:45-47 And so it is written, the first man Adam was made a living soul; the last Adam was made a quickening spirit. 46 Howbeit that was not first which is spiritual, but that which is natural; and afterward that which is spiritual. 47 The first man is of the earth, earthy: the second man is the Lord from heaven. (KJV)

Jesus Christ was not just a natural man; he was the first born again man led by the Spirit of Christ within Him to show us how to overcome evil. With all that God has provided us, all the power we have access to, there is no excuse for why we the Church should be anything less than over comers. Greater is He that is within me than anything or anyone in this world who would try to tempt me with anything other than what God would have to offer this day.

Galatians 1:3-5 Grace be to you and peace from God the Father, and from our Lord Jesus Christ, 4 Who gave himself for our sins, that he might deliver us from this present evil world, according to the will of God and our Father: 5 To whom is glory forever and ever. Amen. (KJV)

The reason God sent His Son our way is so that we could partake of the tree of life again and live spiritually. This world that we are surrounded in is a fallen one and not something we should be caught up in anymore. Most of what I see going on today is based on what a fallen man considers to be the plan of salvation and not what our Lord says will get you home. That same serpent in the beginning is the same one that is trying to point God’s people in the wrong direction today; and it’s sad to say that he has perfected his craft.

Hebrews 5:12-14 For when for the time ye ought to be teachers, ye have need that one teach you again which be the first principles of the oracles of God; and are become such as have need of milk, and not of strong meat. 13 For every one that uses milk is unskillful in the word of righteousness: for he is a babe. 14 But strong meat belongs to them that are of full age, even those who by reason of use have their senses exercised to discern both good and evil. (KJV)

God requires His people to grow up and mature. You need to hear the Lord for yourself first hand, so that you can quickly identify the difference between what man settles for and what our Lord considers to be good; and that takes a daily regimen of hearing our Lord and then stepping out in faith, being led by the Spirit and not by emotions or outward appearances.

God bless and let the Spirit lead and guide you into all truth today dearly loved. Have a prosperous day in Christ Jesus our Lord.